details in respect of thermal power projects set up in the joint/private sector during the last three years are given below:

Name of the Project/Capacity		Date of Commissioning	Name of the party
1 Trombay Combined Cycle Gas Turbine Station (180 MW) (120 MW GT+60 MW ST)			M/s. Tata Electric Company, Bombay.
Gas Turbine		29-7-1993	
Steam Turbine (ST)		09-12-1994	
2 Dahanu Thermal Power Station (500MW) (2×250 MW)	Unit-1	6-1-1995	M/s Bombay Suburban Electricity Supply Company, Bombay,
	Unit-2	29-3-1995	

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir, The insta llation of the above station has increased the availability of power for the benefit of the people of Maharashtra by 680 MW.

(e) and (f). No thermal power project is expected to be commissioned during the year 1995-96 under the joint/private sector, as the gestation period required in respect of the on-going thermal power projects is not over.

NAMRUP Thermal Power Project

7883. SHRI BHADRESWAR GOHAIN : Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government of Assam has decided to sell out the prestigious Namrup Thermal Power Project to a private company;

(b) whether it is also a fact that some understanding have been arrived at by the Government of Assam with the Reliance Industries; and

(c) if so, whether Government would discourage such a move by the Government of Assam and implement the project on its own?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIS FRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI URMILABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Power shortage in Tamil Nadu

7884. SHRI TINDIVANAM G. VENKATRAMAN: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Tamil Nadu is facing power shortage at present;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether any report have been received from Government of Tamil Nadu in this connection; and

(d) if so, what follow-up action has been oaken by Government there on?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATl URMILABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL); (a) During the period 1994-95, the energy requirement of Tamil Nadu was 29570 Million Units against the availability of 28730 Million Units which represents a shortage off 2.8 per cent as against an all